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Senator Shaheen swears in 2012-3 newly elected officers (above). Senator Ayotte swears in the newly elected Board of Directors (below)



Results of Elections at 2011 Annual Meeting

NH MOAA Officers Reelected to one Year Term

President	CDR Bruce F. Avery, USN (Ret)
Vice-Pres	COL H. Allen Chadwick, USA (Ret)
Secretary	Lt Col Stephanie A. Riley, ANG
Treasurer	CDR James R. Day, JR, USN (Ret)

Board of Directors (two year term)

CDR Lyman H. Smith, USN (Ret)
LTC Gary S. Terhune, USA (Ret)

Board of Directors (three year term)

Lt Col Ed Josephson, USAF (Ret)
MAJ Patricia A. Graham, USA (Ret)
COL Ken Lull, ARNG (Ret)
Lt Col Joseph N. Daley, ANG



Passing of the Baton

Outgoing President Peter Burdett passes the presidency on to incoming President Bruce Avery. Thanks to Pete for your leadership, and Bruce for accepting the position.

Thanks for your dedication and service

The NH Chapter of the MOAA thanks the outgoing officers and Board of Directors for their outstanding contributions to the success of the chapter. If you need proof-another 5-Star Banner Award says it all.

Thanks to the 2011-12 Chapter Officers:

President	Pete Burdett	VP	Bruce Avery
Secretary	Pat Graham	Treas.	Joan Huber

& to members of the Board whose terms have expired:

Col George C. Arvanetaki, USAF (Ret.)
Lt Col Edward H. Josephson, USAF (Ret.)
Col Kenneth L. Weyler, USAFR (Ret.)
MAJ Patricia A. Graham, USA (Ret.)

Chapter Officers

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President's Corner

This is the time of year when we as individuals tend to review what has transpired in our lives over the last year and take a look at where we want to go with our lives in the coming year. Normally the process includes a mix of what went well or not so well, what has changed or expected to change and how we want improve the results for the upcoming year.

Your MOAA-NH Leadership Team is currently going through the same process - What went well and not so well, what is changing or expected to change, and how can we better serve the military officer community of New Hampshire. In short, things are going well. We are in sound financial shape, we have a robust series of activities and events, and our membership level of approximately 900 puts us in the top 10 of MOAA chapters. But there always ways to improve who we are and what we offer New Hampshire's military officer community.

There are several ways you can help. First, share with us your views of where we can do better. If you see ways that we improve our membership levels in any or all of the various groups of military officers that qualify for MOAA membership we need your insight. Second, encourage those around you who are qualified to be members but have not "seen the light", to give us a chance. If you decide to make a gift of membership to a qualified individual, please let me know the specifics and I will make sure that a warm and personal greeting is extended. Third, we will gladly accept the challenge of increased attendance levels at our events.

Please remember that MOAA is the professional association for military officers and their families at every stage of life and career. Your New Hampshire Chapter of MOAA is grateful to touch part of your lives. We are committed to improving that "touch" to our current membership and extending that "touch" to a wider base of New Hampshire's military officer community. I can be reached by email at bruceavery@tds.net or by phone at (603) 526-2854.

Best Wishes for a happy and healthy 2013. Please remember that every day is a beautiful day in New Hampshire

Bruce



ADM Steve Abbot, USN (ret) Chairman of the MOAA Board presents New Hampshire Chapter President Pete Burdett the 5-Star Banner for Chapter Excellence

New Chapter Members Welcome Aboard !

Col John Akin USAF (ret) PO Box 1218 New London, NH 03257	Lt Col Charles Ashworth USAF (ret) Spouse: Lynn 25 Fairway Dr Hudson, NH 03051
CPT Roy Bouchard USA (former) Spouse: Marie 19 Buttrick Rd Londonderry, NY 03053	Lt Col Frank Bower USAF (ret) 5 Newcastle Dr, Apt 11 Nashua NH 03060
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LCDR Edward Webber USNR (ret) Spouse: Mary C 2 Maplevale Rd East Kingston, NH 03827	Lt Col Rick Weber USAF (ret) Spouse: Alice 108 Lille Rd Nashua, NH 03062

Granite State Warriors Award Announced

The Board of Directors for the New Hampshire Chapter of the MOAA approved the establishment of *The Granite State Warriors Award* based upon:

1. Contributions in providing US forces with new and/or improved systems that vastly improve our military capability.
2. Such contribution may also be in providing services that directly result in improving the health, morale, and welfare of individual service persons and their direct families.

Recipients of the 2012 Award

Pease Greeters

Since early last decade the Pease Greeters have been: *Thanking Our Troops, One Flight at a Time*. Their mission is to welcome troops passing through Pease International Airport on their way to, or from, Afghanistan or Iraq, or any other areas of conflict in any part of the world. In addition they promote broad participation by the general public in this welcoming and paying special attention to the education of school children by instilling respect and admiration for the troops.

Wilcox Industries

A Newington, NH based industry, Wilcox industries is a leading manufacturer of innovative equipment enhancing the safety and effectiveness of the US Armed Services. Wilcox mission is making tactical products that have a reputation for quality and toughness. For almost 30 years Wilcox works toward finding solutions to the technology shortfalls that military and law enforcement encounter.

The awards ceremony will be at the Chapter Luncheon on January 26, 2013. Information on signing is being mailed to MOAA members or download the form at the program section at www.moaa-nh.org.



President Pete Burdett presents a thank you present to the October MOAA guest speaker CAPT Kathryn M. Beasley, USN (Ret), MOAA Deputy Director of Government Relations (Health Affairs). CAPT Beasley spoke on MOAA's 12-point plan and what is going on in Washington with military

The MOAA-NH Travel Program for 2013/4

(see the exciting highlights of all these at www.moaa-nh.org)

April 11th - Exploring Panama. Spend seven days exploring Panama City, Panama Viejo, Casco Antigua, Miralobos Locks, Gamboa, Smithsonian Galeta Marine Laboratory, Colon Free Zone, and the Panama Canal Railway.

September 6, 2013-Northern National Parks Visits to Salt Lake City, Jackson WY, Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Tetons.

October 17, 2013- Rome and the Amalfi Coast Ten day trip with stops in Rome, Ravello, Vietri-sul-Mare, Sorrento, Paestrum, Pompeii, and Naples.

February 20, 2014- From the Outback to the Glaciers. This twenty day trip to Australia and New Zealand includes Melbourne, Alice Springs, Ayers Rock, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney, Franz Josef Glacier Region, Queenstown, Milford Sound, and Mt Cook National Park.

Webinar on this trip Friday, February 22, 2013.

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10th YEAR



Upcoming Programs for 2013

Jan 26th, Granite State Warrior Awards

See Page 3 for details on recipients
Portsmouth CC Greenland

April 23rd, LTC Steve Betts, USA

Battalion Commander, US Army
Northeast Recruiting Battalion
Abenaki Country Club, Rye

June 8th, Maj Frank H. McCarthy, USMC (Ret)

In charge of POW/MIA Search after Viet Nam
*The Chase House at the Inns and Spa
Mill Falls, Meredith*

August 3rd Clambake, PNSY

September 28th, LTC Joe Francouer, USANG

Experiences in Afghanistan
Common Man, Claremont



CAPT Donald R. Bassett, USN (Ret.), Durham
COL Reginald A. Bisson, USAR (Ret.), Laconia
LTC Raymond E. Closson, USAR (Ret.), Manchester
Mrs. Evelyn M. Kaiser, Hanover
LtCol Emlen L. Martin, Jr., USAF (Ret.), Exeter
Mrs. Priscilla W. Richardson, Hancock
CDR Catherine V. Roberts, USN (Ret.), Taunton

CHAPTER DIRECTORY - REMINDER

The chapter is planning to issue a new member directory at the beginning of next year (2013). In order for it to be as accurate as possible, we need correct, up-to-date information before it is printed. Please look over your address label on this newsletter. It has all the data that will be included in your entry in the directory (except your telephone number). Please check that your name, rank, service, status [(ACT), (RET), (FRM)], spouse's name, address and Zip are all current and spelled correctly. If you can still find your old directory (it is dated 2010 on a blue cover), check that your telephone number is correct; or, if you can't find it or you have changed your phone number or joined the chapter in the last three years, please provide us with your current number. Any changes/corrections should be mailed to MOAA-NH at PO Box 712, Dover, NH 03821-0712 or emailed to Chapter@moaa-nh.org. Please ensure that they are received by the end of this year to be included in the directory. As they say in computer speak, garbage in – garbage out! Thank you for your assistance